# LYNCHBURG CITY COUNCIL

# **Agenda Item Summary**

MEETING DATE: October 10, 2006 AGENDA ITEM NO.: 11

CONSENT: REGULAR: X CLOSED SESSION: (Confidential)

ACTION: X INFORMATION:

ITEM TITLE: Transportation Enhancement Grant – Roundabout at Fifth Street and Federal Street

<u>RECOMMENDATION:</u> After a public hearing, adopt a resolution in support of a Transportation Enhancement Grant (SAFETEA-LU, formerly TEA-21) application to create a roundabout at the intersection of 5<sup>th</sup> Street and Federal Street.

<u>SUMMARY:</u> The Department of Community Development intends to submit an application for a Transportation Enhancement Grant (SAFETEA-LU, formerly TEA-21) to assist with funding the final design and construction of a roundabout at Fifth and Federal Street. This grant application is supported by the Fifth Street Community Development Corporation. The roundabout is a key element in the development of the Fifth Street Corridor as detailed in the Fifth Street Corridor Master Plan. Roundabouts have been promoted by the Virginia Department of Transportation to reduce traffic delays, the risk of accidents, pollution and energy use related to automobile use. This roundabout will improve traffic flow and safe pedestrian access while providing an aesthetic marker to aid in the recreation of a sense of place for the Fifth Street Community.

The total estimated budget for the project is \$1,225,000. This grant requires a 20% local match of \$241,000. The match will be requested in the FY 2008-2012 Capital Improvement Program budget. The proposed budget follows:

Final Architectural and Engineering Fees: \$25,000

Utility relocation: \$1,000,000 Construction: \$200,000

Total: \$1,225,000

## PRIOR ACTION(S):

Adoption of the Fifth Street Corridor Master Plan, May 9, 2006 Finance Committee Meeting, September 5, 2006

### FISCAL IMPACT:

The required 20% local match of \$241,000 will be requested in the FY 2008-2012 Capital Improvement Program.

CONTACT(S): Tom Martin 455-3909

<u>ATTACHMENT(S):</u> Resolution

REVIEWED BY: lkp

#### RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, in accordance with Commonwealth Transportation Board construction allocation procedures, it is necessary that a request by resolution be received from the local government or state agency in order that the Virginia Department of Transportation program an enhancement project in the City of Lynchburg,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City of Lynchburg requests the Commonwealth Transportation Board to establish a project for the construction of a roundabout at Fifth Street and Federal Street.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City of Lynchburg hereby agrees to pay a minimum 20% of the total cost for the final planning and design, right of way, and construction of this project, and that, if the City of Lynchburg subsequently elects to cancel this project the City of Lynchburg hereby agrees to reimburse the Virginia Department of Transportation for the total amount of costs expended by the Department through the date the Department is notified of such cancellation, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Manager is authorized to sign the necessary documents for this project.

Adopted:		
Certified:		
	Clerk of Council	
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